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Linnea Heap Interview, April 20, 2012

Participants:

LH Linnea Heap
BG Special Agent Brian Grehoski, FBI
MM Special Agent Merv Mason, FBI
GC Greg Clark, Attorney

Abbreviations:

[UI] Unintelligible
[OV] Overlapping voices
[PH] Phonetic spelling
[IA] Inaudible

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BG: This is Special Agent Brian Grehoski. It is April 20th, two thousand twelve. With me is Special Agent Merv Mason. And we are at the Law Office of, um --

GC: Greg Clark.

BG: -- Greg Clark. Oh, sorry.

GC: That's okay.

BG: Getting there. I was thinking of the time. Uh, it is just about nine o'clock. And we are going to be speaking with Linnea Heap. And there we go. Um, and it's pronounced Linnea? Am I saying --

LH: Linnea.

BG: Okay. Linnea, if you could, could you, um, tell us about your background, you know, what it is you do, where you work and -- and so forth?

LH: Sure. I work at the Attorney General's Office in the Finance Division. Uh, specifically the Bankruptcy Collections Unit. Um, I assist the collection supervisor and the section chief.

BG: Okay. Uh --

LH: When I first started there I was making physical collecting, uh, collections for Department of Revenue --

BG: Okay. What does that mean, physical collections?

LH: -- to help out. Well, co-- tracing down, skip tracing, finding debtors.

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MM: Mm.

BG: Okay.

LH: And getting them to pay their debt to the state.

BG: Okay. So a bit of an investigator yourself?

LH: New at it, but yes.

BG: Um, and when did you start at the A G's Office?

LH: Um, at the beginning of Tom Horne's --

BG: Okay.

LH: -- start, uh, January two thousand eleven.

BG: January two thousand eleven? Okay. And now, how active are you in -- in -- in political campaigns? In the past, just historically, have you...?

LH: Historically, I haven't been involved at all. Um, I started at the Department of Education where I got to know Tom. And I offered to hand out information at the polling places. And I handled the Cave Creek polling station, which is where I live. And I typically handle that. Um, and --

MM: Was that during the DOE campaign or the Attorney...?

LH: That was for his second term --

MM: Second term.

LH: At Department of Ed.

MM: Okay.

BG: Okay.

LH: And so then when he decided to run for Attorney General I got more involved and I mostly was in charge of handling the phone logs for calling, um, citizens and give -- answering questions about Tom Horne, asking them to vote for Tom Horne, and talking about his political stance on things.

BG: Okay. So you -- you managed the phone banks basically?

LH: I didn't manage them. But, um, I managed the lists. So it was my job to get the lists out to individuals who had offered to volunteer and make calls.

BG: Okay.

LH: And -- and also have calling lists at the headquarters so that people could go in -- we had evening call banks.

BG: Okay.

LH: And I did participate in those. But I didn't really manage them.

BG: Okay. So you participated? And were those at his campaign headquarters --

LH: Yes.

BG: -- at Seventh Ave and McDowell?

LH: Yes.

BG: Okay. Um, and so yo-- were you involved early on when he was doing his exploratory committee or did you sort of come on board once he made the announcement for --

LH: I -- I was not part of the exploratory committee. Um, I came on board, helping out in the primary.

BG: Okay. Um, do you remember was it January, February, at the beginning of two thousand ten? I'm just trying to get a sense of --

LH: Um, probably late two thousand nine.

BG: Okay.

LH: Um, getting, you -- you know, just getting information, putting together sh--mailers, stuff like that.

BG: Okay. And how did you get the lists for the phone banks? Was that something you got from like county records or how -- how does that work?

LH: It's county records, yeah.

BG: County records? Okay. Okay. And the -- the stuff for the calls, the content of the calls, um, scripts. Did -- did you write that? Is that like a group effort with the campaign or...?

LH: Um, mor-- I did not write them, but, yeah, they were -- it was written, edited and, you know, as certain issues were happening in the news, things might be added. But mostly it was just the -- the basic script and then you might write in your own notes of what you wanted to express to --

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BG: Okay.

LH: -- citizens.

BG: Okay. And at -- at what point did they -- did they -- did they have weekly meetings, campaign meetings? Ah, you know, who was in the inner circle and, ah, how was that managed?

LH: Um, they had meetings at the headquarters, um, with a core group. And I was -- I would say I wasn't one of the core group, I was probably the first outer ring. Um, I think I went to meetings, uh, not every week, but every other week.

BG: Okay.

LH: Uh, towards the last stretch of two thousand ten, when it, you know, towards the end of the primary.

BG: Okay.

LH: And through to the general.

BG: Okay. So, if -- if I understand you, as the primary was coming to an end, and that was August twenty-fifth is -- was the primary election. Um, you started attending bi-weekly meetings. Uh, or estimate, I'm not gonna hold --

LH: Yeah.

BG: -- you to it but --

LH: They weren't always, you know, on average they were -- I think they were

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bi-weekly. As I recall.

BG: Okay. Okay.

LH: And, you know, they were happening before the primary election.

BG: Um hm (affirmative). Okay.

LH: They were pretty much -- I -- I -- I can't say when they started 'cause I didn't go when they started.

BG: Okay.

LH: But I would say most of two thousand ten.

BG: Okay. And who else would attend those meetings?

LH: Um, people that -- it was over a lunch hour. Um, so it was anywhere from, um, Tom Horne, his assistant, Gail Jackson, um, myself, Joan Barts, who is now Joan Walker. Um, Vanessa Deatherage, Michael, um, Vargas, his campaign manager. Um, the -- the head of Health and Nutrition at that time would come periodically. She was a big help in putting up signs and handing out flyers. And her --

BG: And what was her name?

LH: I trying to -- Mary Sufranski [PH].

BG: Okay.

LH: Um, um, of course Art Harding. Um, Kathleen Winn. Um, various, uh, other volunteers, um, I'm trying to think, ah...

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BG: Chuck Johnson?

LH: Chuck Johnson, yeah. He was actually there a lot for call banks.

BG: Okay.

LH: Um, and he was pretty regular, too, I'd say at the meetings. Thank you.
Um...

BG: Kim Owens?

LH: Kim Owens came periodically.

BG: Okay.

LH: But not religiously. More towards the end --

BG: Okay.

LH: -- she was really jumping in to help him. Um...

BG: Okay. Deb Miller?

LH: Deb Miller came after, um, I would say later in two thousand ten.

BG: Okay.

LH: Um, probably -- I would think --

BG: I'm ju-- and I -- I threw that -- I -- I think she was actually there during the general election portion, not the primary.

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LH: Yeah, I think more the general than the primary.

BG: Okay.

LH: Maybe at the very -- right around the very --

BG: Okay.

LH: Uh, in August sometime she might --

BG: Okay.

LH: She was in charge of, um, Margaret Dugan's campaign and was pretty focused on that.

BG: Okay.

LH: And when that -- when she wasn't elected to go into the general, then she joined in with...

BG: Okay.

LH: Um...

BG: That -- and so th-- those are basically the --

LH: Yeah.

BG: Would you consider those the inner circle people? 'Cause you said you were like the next ring out. Are -- are the bulk of --

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LH: Yeah, there was, um --

BG: -- those the inner circle types?

LH: -- there's a few others, um, that were, yeah, um, oh, Lucia DeVernai. Um, the gentleman I -- Tim Coda I think, or something like --

BG: Tim LaSota?

LH: Tim LaSota, thank you. And, um, um, the gentleman that's no longer at the AG's, but he started at the AG's. He came in and helped a lot. Um, um, God, where is the name in my head? But it --

MM: Waring? Jim Waring?

LH: Jim Waring came a few times. More as, um, to offer advice.

BG: Okay.

LH: Kind of a counsel. Um, I'm not sure to what degree he actually was involved.

BG: Okay.

LH: Um, but he maybe attended two meetings.

BG: Okay.

LH: That I know of.

BG: Okay.

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LH: Um, his name will come to me.

BG: There was a Ron Lebowitz.

LH: Ron Lebowitz.

BG: Okay.

LH: Yeah.

BG: Uh, okay. So, and that's all during the primary for the most part that -- that we're currently talking about.

LH: Right.

BG: And, um, and you said Kathleen was there at those meetings as well? Okay.

LH: Yeah, I -- she was involved in the primaries and did a lot with the, uh, outside counties.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: Outside of Maricopa Counties.

BG: Okay.

LH: And help put up signs.

BG: Okay.

LH: Um, um, I didn't see her. I know now that she was doing this independent

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campaign. But I did not have one conversation about it with her ever.

BG: Okay.

LH: Until the night of -- election night.

BG: Okay.

LH: She mentioned she'd been busy raising money for Tom. She didn't even mention details at all.

BG: Okay.

LH: It was just kind of -- there was a lot of people, lot of noise --

BG: Sure.

LH: -- lot of excitement, so...

BG: Yeah. And -- and I get, you know, and -- and one of the caveats we -- I know this is a year and a half ago. It's a long time ago. And ther-- I know there was a lot going on, so...

LH: She -- it -- it seemed, in fact, that she kinda disappeared. Because I -- I didn't see her at all towards the end. A-- and she was -- had earlier had helped -- she was helping my son get a second -- refinance his house.

BG: Okay.

LH: He bought a house with a girlfriend and that relationship ended.

BG: Okay.

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LH: So he was refinancing to get her off the mortgage.

BG: Okay.

LH: And she had moved to Saint Louis or something. So she said she -- she talked to him. He came in and did some phone call, you know, as there was others. There was --

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: Carey Cotea [PH], Orella [PH], I don't know her last name. There was others that would come in --

BG: Okay.

LH: -- and out and help as they could.

MM: What -- what time of day did you work at the campaign?

LH: Um, after hours. The meetings were the lunch hour. I was -- and I worked 'til five thirty, so I was never there 'til five thirty or later.

MM: Okay. So like Monday through Friday?

LH: Um, yeah. Any -- any day. I didn't go every day, certainly. But...

MM: What about the weekends? Did you work on the weekend?

LH: Um, they had Saturday callings. Um, I only attended one.

MM: Okay.

LH: I live far away, and at the time was driving an S U V, so, doing six days downtown from Cave Creek, just wasn't -- I didn't want to do it.

BG: Gets expensive.

LH: Yeah.

BG: Yeah. Okay. Um, lost my train of thought on that.

MM: Outside counties.

BG: Yeah. Um, so she took signs and put up signs all around the state?

LH: All around the state, as did I. I did a trip, um, with Gail Jackson to Prescott area.

BG: Okay.

LH: And put that -- on a weekend.

BG: Okay. Did you ever go with Kathleen to put up signs? Did you guys ever pair up?

LH: No, I never -- I never did.

BG: Okay.

LH: I -- I didn't get to know Kathleen that well.

BG: Okay.

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LH: During the campaign.

BG: Is your son's name Andrew?

LH: Yes.

BG: Okay. Um, okay. So, now let's fast forward to -- well, when did she first come on -- on the campaign? Do you know how she got involved with Horne's campaign?

LH: I don't know just when. Um, I know when she had -- she kind of just jumped in with both feet.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: Um, mostly in the primary. I know she made it -- she, you know, was vocal about the fact that she would, you know, do whatever she could to help Tom beat Andrew Thomas.

BG: Okay.

LH: She did not -- he had not -- some, I don't know if it was regarding business. I know she had a son that was injured and something maybe connected with an ex-husband. I don't know.

BG: Okay.

LH: I don't know the details. I just know he had been somebody that was really mean to her or tried to hurt her.

BG: Okay.

LH: So she was like, I don't want to see that man have any power at all 'cause

he's not a good person.

BG: Um hm (affirmative). Okay. Yeah, we've heard that, that she hated Andrew Thomas. Yeah.

LH: Oh, well...

BG: Yeah. Um...

GC: I think the list is long.

[Laughter]

LH: Well, and I think, uh, recent news --

BG: Yeah.

LH: -- proved she was on track.

BG: Um hm (affirmative). Um, okay, so you're not sure how she got involved, but she started coming to the -- the primary.

LH: Well, I think she volunt-- she just volunteered.

BG: Okay.

LH: She just said look, I want to do what I can to help 'cause --

BG: Okay.

LH: -- I don't want to see this guy win and he's not gonna play fair and...

BG: Okay. Alright. So, fast forward to the general election. The -- again, the primary was held on August twenty-fifth. And how -- how long after that was she at the campaign?

LH: I -- I didn't see -- I saw her at the primary party. Um, celebration party. Um, and that was held at Amy Rezzonico's house. Oh, and Amy was another person that would be there.

BG: Okay.

LH: Um, I didn't -- I didn't see her after that. I think she, um, the only -- the only communication I think I had with her was s-- if it had to do with Andrew. Like she couldn't reach him or... Um, and I'm -- I remember I had emails about that, but I don't even remember -- ah, that might have been after the primary election. But it was just about his [clears throat] excuse me, refinance.

BG: Okay. When did he refinance?

LH: I'm thinking it was October.

BG: Okay.

LH: Or somewhere in there towards then.

BG: Okay.

LH: He went into the army February of two thousand eleven.

BG: Okay.

LH: And he wanted to get that all squared away.

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BG: Okay.

LH: Before that.

BG: Alright. Um, so your recollection is after the primary she was gone from the campaign or you just didn't see her?

LH: I didn't see her, she didn't come to meetings. Um, she wasn't doing work that I'm aware of. Um, I -- I didn't ask about her to be honest.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: Um, I assumed she was just busy taking care of the outside counties.

BG: Okay.

LH: You know, around Tu-- Pima County and any -- any of the outside of Maricopa, because Maricopa's so big.

BG: Sure. It is big. So I -- and -- so you -- are you presuming -- are you -- you are presuming that she was still doing campaign work but just outside the counties? Or outside of Maricopa? For in -- in the pr-- in the other counties? Or did you think that she left the campaign? And stopped working on the campaign?

LH: Well, I didn't think she was actively working on the campaign because she wasn't coming to meetings. And --

BG: Okay.

LH: -- the people that were active were attending the meetings. So...

BG: Okay. But you also just said that you think -- you thought she was a--

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attending to the outside counties.

LH: Well, that was her main focus during the primary. So, you know, I just thought maybe she was not able to come, 'cause of whatever was going on.

BG: Okay.

MM: Do you remember an event that occurred, or something where Tom or somebody said she's gonna go off and work on this IE, or she's no longer gonna be here 'cause -- for whatever reason?

LH: No. I didn't -- I wasn't around for any kind of announcement regarding her at all.

BG: So it was never put out to anybody in the campaign that she's leaving to go do an independent expenditure?

LH: Well, I don't know, not to me.

BG: Okay.

LH: I didn't get that message.

BG: Okay. So, and that's fine. We're just talking about your -- your memories here.

LH: Yeah.

BG: So if -- if you never got an email or a phone call or it was never put out to you in any way that she was leaving, that -- just trying to figure out, you know, what your perceptions were.

LH: Yeah.

BG: Eh, you -- you -- you presumed she was out in the surrounding counties. She wasn't attending campaign meetings. So you -- you say she wasn't active at the campaign, but you presumed she was doing campaign work out in the counties. I'm just trying to clarify that 'cause it --

LH: Well, I -- I --

BG: -- it seemed like two --

LH: -- I didn't think about it.

BG: Okay.

LH: I didn't presume anything at the time.

BG: Okay.

LH: You're asking me. I -- I didn't -- it didn't -- I had other -- I have four children, I wasn't thinking about what she was doing at all.

BG: Okay.

LH: Didn't occur to me.

BG: Okay.

LH: I knew she was a mortgage broker and I knew she was helping my son. And I -- I just, you know...

BG: Okay. Um, well then, let's get into the emails that you provided.

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LH: Sure.

BG: Um, sort of went through 'em and looked at 'em in -- in chronological order. Um, and -- and, basically, the -- the overall idea here is we go all the way through October, the middle of October, and she's still included in all the email chains campaign related. So, that's of interest to us because it's been put out there that after the primary, she left to do an independent expenditure. But we have emails through the middle of October that say, no, she was intimately involved with the campaign. She was actively having conversations with a whole bunch of campaign workers. And so on and so forth. So, can you understand why that's of interest to us?

LH: Yeah. I don't -- I didn't have any -- I mean I -- I saw her name was on the email chain. And it's probably because Michael s-- sent those out.

BG: Okay.

LH: And never took her off or just thought she should be aware of what's going on. I don't know.

BG: Okay. Um...

MM: For the tape, these are the emails that you folks provided in compliance, correct?

LH: Um hm (affirmative).

GC: Yeah.

MM: Okay.

LH: I -- that was all the emails I had with her name attached to 'em.

MM: Okay.

BG: Okay. Well, and so...

LH: And there's more on that -- on the disks.

BG: Yep. Um, yeah, and I printed the ones that -- that I thought were pertinent.

LH: Okay.

BG: And -- and -- and then there was the hard copies that you had printed. That's what this packet is.

LH: Well I realized I wasn't gonna be able to afford the ink cartridges it was gonna take. So...

BG: Yeah. Um, okay. So, in -- in this one, you know, this is August twenty-seventh. She's just sending off emails and -- and she's saying I'm glad to be part of the team. And this is a day or two after the -- the primary. So, you know, that makes sense.

LH: Yeah, she was excited about --

BG: Yeah. Yeah.

LH: -- being...

BG: And -- and she's put that out that in fact Tom wasn't declared the -- the winner for about a week to ten days.

LH: Oh, yeah.

BG: And she -- she stayed at the campaign during that time. And, you know, that's understandable to us, you know, that... Um, so, let me just jump

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forward. Put these so I keep 'em in chronological order. Um, and then September seventh, now we're two weeks away from the -- the primary. Um, she's still emailing you folks at the campaign. And, I'm not sure -- do you -- do you know who Brett is? Do you know the Brett that we-- she's referring to?

LH: No.

BG: Does this ring a bell to you at all?

LH: No. I don't know him.

BG: You don't know Brett Mecum?

LH: No.

BG: Okay.

LH: I've heard the name, but I don't know him.

BG: Okay. Um, so just, again, going forward, now we're at September eighteenth. Carman sends an email to you and -- and Kathleen relating to -- it looked like some basically Michael Vargas bashing.

LH: [UI].

BG: Yeah. And that's -- that's a really long one. It looks like Gail Jackson or -- or Britt James was -- they were basically slamming Vargas for him not doing a good job in -- in promoting Tom and -- and some other stuff.

LH: Okay.

BG: But the -- the concern or the question is, Carman made sure that you and

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Kathleen also got a copy of this. Okay?

LH: I guess she thought that we should know what was being felt or something.

BG: And, again, our question is if Kathleen wasn't involved with the campaign, why would she need to know about what's going on with the campaign? And -- does that make sense?

LH: [No verbal response].

BG: Okay. And -- so do you have any thoughts on -- on why you -- you and her would have been included on that?

LH: Um, well, Carman's a friend of mine. I'm sure she and, you know, she got to know Kathleen in the primary and just thought, I don't know. I -- I wo-- I took it more as like an F Y I.

BG: Um hm (affirmative). Okay. Um, and because you're -- you're close with Carman, um, does she have animosity towards Kathleen? We heard they bickered and didn't get along at all. And...

LH: Um, I -- all I know is things that had been asked of Kathleen to do during the primary. She didn't complete everything that wa-- she was asked to do. So she --

MM: Like what?

LH: I don't know. Just things that she was asked to do with the outside counties. I really don't know. I just know that she was never thorough or didn't -- ju-- just dropped the ball on certain things. So, um, that was their -- what I know was their bone of contention.

BG: Okay.

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LH: She just felt like she want-- you know, she'll say she'll do stuff and not everything gets done. But, it's a lot -- there was probably a lot to handle.

BG: Yeah, we also heard they're -- they're two strong personalities and they were both vying for Tom's attention or they -- they -- they wanted their input to be, um, carry more weight than -- than the other's. Does -- does that sound right to you? Did you ever see anything like that? That they were sort of competing for --

LH: I --

BG: -- what they felt was the right thing to do?

LH: Um, I didn't see the competition. I know that Kathleen is a very strong personality. She wants her way.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: Um, when I first started at the AG's, I worked with her.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: Assisting her. And because I was friends with Carman, it just became a very unpleasant position to be in.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: 'Cause she -- it -- it was more one sided.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: Eh, I -- I -- Carman's like what is her problem?

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BG: Okay.

LH: But, um, Carman's been a friend of Tom's for maybe nineteen or more years.

BG: Okay.

LH: And I think she just was jealous.

BG: Huh huh (affirmative). Okay. Jealous of Kathleen?

LH: No.

BG: Or Kathleen --

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LH: Kathleen's jealous.

BG: -- was jealous of Carman, I'm sorry.

MM: She was jealous of Carman.

LH: That they had a long friendship. You know, they'd worked together as lawyers in the past.

BG: Um hm (affirmative). Okay. Um, on September twenty-second Kathleen sent -- I -- I -- and I don't know what the attachment is. Do you know what that -- do you recall what that is? SKM....

LH: I don't. From Kathleen. I don't know. Doesn't ring a bell.

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BG: Okay. Okay, then next one, um, there was a -- a taping of Brahm Resnick. Tom was on the Brahm Resnick show. Does that ring a bell? Does that sound familiar?

LH: I remember, yeah, he was on many shows.

BG: Okay. Um, on nine twenty-five Kathleen's saying that she witnessed the taping and was there and she sends this giant email to the entire campaign. Um, wh-- did she attend that as part of the campaign, do you know? Do you have any recollection of that?

LH: I wasn't there. I don't know if she, um, I had no idea she saw the taping.

BG: Okay. Then she's reporting back to the campaign, you know, information about Tom's --

LH: What she thought of it?

BG: -- performance and sa-- yeah.

LH: Yeah.

BG: I mean, it -- it's a whole email chain about that event.

LH: Okay.

BG: And Kathleen's included in it.

LH: Well, I think she's just, you know, as a friend, knowing everybody on the campaign, she's voicing her opinion.

BG: Okay.

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LH: Possibly. I... Yeah.

BG: And see for us, this is now over a month past the primary. And she's still participating basically at the same rate that she was during the primary.

LH: Well, I don't know if I'd say the same rate 'cause she wasn't -- she wasn't at any of the --

BG: Any of the campaign meetings?

LH: -- fund raisers or campaign meetings or....

MM: Did you attend all the fund raisers?

LH: Uh, as many as I could. I didn't attend all.

MM: How about the debates?

LH: Ah, I went -- I went to s-- some of the debates.

BG: Okay.

LH: Ah, one I took time off from work and drove Tom to Channel Three I think it was.

BG: Okay.

LH: For his debate.

BG: Okay. Was that the Rotellini Horne debate?

LH: Yes. Yes.

BG: Okay. Do you remember what date that was?

LH: I don't.

BG: I know we can look it up.

LH: I don't.

BG: Okay. Okay, uh, September twenty-sixth. September twenty-fifth. Kathleen was asked to help do research on an issue for, um, rebut-- or refuting what Rotellini was done-- doing. So, again, this is a month after the primary, and she's doing research for the campaign. Does that ring a bell to you at all this -- this stuff?

LH: Well, I don't know who Eric Bolby [PH] is.

BG: Yeah, I think he, um, he might be the president at the --

MM: He works for the, uh, mortgage company that Kathleen was working at at the time.

LH: Oh, okay.

BG: Yeah.

MM: He had nothing to do with the campaign. Just where she worked.

BG: Yeah. And -- and the email string is, I think if you go back, um, in some fashion she was asked if she could find some research, yeah, at the request of the mortgage industry, Rotellini developed blah, blah, blah. Well, in any event, if you read through the string, our -- our point here is that she was asked to assist the campaign by doing research on this mortgage issue.

LH: This is from Nehla [PH] to Carman.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: I don't see where she's being asked to do anything.

BG: Oh, wait a second.

LH: Being as involved as she is in the mortgage industry...

BG: Um hm (affirmative). No, and it does make sense they'd ask her.

LH: She might have sent something she knew or --

BG: Yeah.

LH: -- could -- or had, to have. I don't know. [Pause] Information about Mark Anderson.

BG: Yeah.

LH: I don't see that as something from her.

BG: Yeah, well, Kathleen is saying to, well, right, she isn't maybe not asked to do the research, but Kathleen is saying to, uh, Eric, can you, ah, respond to the below with the truth.

LH: Probably because she doesn't want to be involved.

BG: Okay. But then she... Okay. Okay. But then she, let's see, let's see. I wanna see who she forwarded it to. Okay. We'll move on from that.

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Um, this is just another one. A news article, [UI] or Carman is including Kathleen in -- in more conversations. Um...

LH: I think -- truly I think at the pace we were working trying to have real jobs and then fit this in, too. I mean, and I know Carman is not a real, uh, high tech computer wiz.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: Somebody set her up to do email blasts.

BG: Okay.

LH: Um, she wouldn't know or think to remove people. And -- and honestly, I -- I -- for her to have information of what's going on I -- I don't know if that's something that's wrong.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: But, um...

BG: I'd agree with you, except each of the CC lists here are all different. They're in different orders, so it wasn't like a distribution list. She consciously chose to include Kathleen, as did others, in all of these lists.

LH: Right.

BG: So...

LH: But I mean a lot of them are like mass mailers. Like, you know...

BG: 'Kay.

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LH: Blasts out.

BG: This is where I got that she was asked to do it. Carman Chenal said, Kay, can you get -- and that was on the twenty-eighth.

LH: September. [Pause] Well I -- I -- I again -- again, I don't know -- I wasn't told, um, about her doing separate fund raising.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: I don't know, ah, what Carman knew either.

BG: Okay.

LH: But, clearly, she passed the buck to her -- I guess that that's who -- Eric her boss? Is that...?

BG: Yeah. I think so. Yep. Alright, well, that's just -- just more of the same. September, [IA] September. I'm just gonna kind of skip through some of these. Um, on, ah, the end of September you -- you mentioned Prescott. Carman sent out an email, first person she included was Kathleen. And, uh, this is about going to Prescott in campaign related event.

MM: Did you attend that one?

LH: Um, voter registration forms. I did go to an event in Prescott. Um, where -- where Carman spoke to a, um, a group. They were meeting to discuss, uh, the constitution up in Prescott. We didn't hand out voter registration forms though.

BG: Okay.

LH: I think we -- you know, 'cause everybody there was registered. And there was a fair up there. Um, and I went -- that went the -- when I -- I'm trying

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to think it was on a Friday. I took a vacation day and went up with Gail Jackson to the fair. And we manned a table.

BG: Okay.

LH: Kathleen didn't attend any of that.

BG: Okay.

LH: It could be, too, that Kathleen knows a lot of people, especially through her husband's connections.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: And it may be, you know, she just thought here's somebody that knows a lot of people, she should know we're trying to do this.

BG: Yeah, but, and that's -- if she shouldn't -- our point is, you know, from these emails, they're including her in everything. She's been asked to -- you know, to do some research or find some -- some way to help the campaign on -- on research to refute Rotellini. And, you know, there's only a few more I'll go through here, but, um, this -- this email seems to suggest that she was consulted on, ah, Tom going to San Francisco. And, you know, the highlighted sentence here, Mark Anderson, Kim Owens, Tom, not to mention Chuck and Kathleen, Jim, all think it's a great idea. So, she was being consulted in -- on some of these matters. And to cl-- to claim independence when she's a consultant in helping the campaign, that me-- see what we're saying? Does that seem...?

LH: I, yeah, I wasn't a part of that discussion. Um... I know, ah, you know, Kathleen always [UI] voiced he sh-- the more he can be seen, the more he's in the public eye the better.

BG: Um hm (affirmative). A lot of this just sort of becomes redundant. And -- and I can probably just keep showing you email after email where she was

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included. But that's our point. And so, we're curious as to -- I -- I know you're saying that she wasn't involved, or you -- you don't really see her as being involved. But, she was included in a lot of stuff. So, do you not see that? Or -- and are we looking at it wrong?

LH: Well I see -- yeah, I s-- no, I see that she's kept in -- she's being kept abreast of what's going on. I don't -- I didn't see her actively participating in any of the events or --

BG: 'Kay.

LH: -- fund raising. I --

BG: Okay.

MM: Did you talk to her much after the, ah, primary? You said she kind of disappeared.

LH: I did not. I did not. Uh, the first time I talked to her was when, um, uh, Margaret Dugan asked if I would, um, my position at the -- at the Department of Education --

MM: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: -- um, I did -- I oversaw international education and I, um, oversaw the strategic plan. And Huppenthal was bringing in his own person to oversee the strategic plan. And he was not going to continue international education. He was putting his focus into AP programs and baccalaureate programs. So I kind of -- I was told I wouldn't be let go, but I wouldn't know where I'd be going. And so --

MM: Kind of ambiguous.

LH: Yeah. So rather than see where I got --

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MM: Landed.

LH: -- bounced I took the position assisting in the Community Outreach program. And, um...

MM: Sure you didn't talk to her?

LH: That's when I first talked to her. She called to say oh, I just found out you're gonna be working with me. That's great. And that's what our conversation was about.

MM: Af-- after the election?

LH: Um, no, I -- right -- it was right at the end of the year.

MM: Okay.

LH: Because I didn't know any of -- I didn't know I was gonna go to the AG's until like the last -- like the Wednesday.

MM: Oh.

LH: And I left on Friday.

MM: Wow.

LH: Before. So...

BG: You give two weeks' notice?

LH: No I did not.

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MM: [UI].

LH: Was not able to.

BG: Okay. So, how often would you say you spoke with her during the general election?

LH: Um, I don't remember any conversations other than emails. Uh, it's possible she called me to get a hold of Andrew.

BG: Okay. But that wouldn't have been very often?

LH: But I don't remember it specifically.

BG: Okay.

LH: It may have been a text message. Like --

BG: Okay.

LH: -- if you talk to that kid of yours, get him to call me.

BG: Um, okay. Um, September -- these are, ah, phone records.

LH: Um hm (affirmative).

BG: These are all the phone calls that you had with her. In the September and October.

LH: Hm. I don't remember them.

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- BG: That's your phone number there, in the middle column, right?
- LH: Well this -- yes, that's my number.
- BG: Okay.
- LH: Well, all in -- if this is all during my son's refinance.
- BG: She called you that many times regarding your son's mortgage?
- LH: Well, I don't remember -- I don't -- I don't remember the... I don't remember. I -- I mean, she was asked -- trying to -- I -- I just -- I really don't remember having calls with her. But I'm sure it was regarding -- plus I think she was trying to get to know me, because I was helping on the campaign and we hadn't really worked together.
- MM: During the general?
- LH: Um, during -- during --
- MM: That's during the -- that's during the general. [UI].
- LH: Yeah, this is during the gen-- well I think -- yeah, I think she was -- the com-- I don't remember talking to her, to be honest, at all. And, uh...
- MM: Why would she get to -- need to get to know you during the general election?
- LH: Well she would -- I re-- sh-- I think during my son's refinance, she was talking to me about his ex-girlfriend and how she wasn't cooperating and, you know, just stuff like trying to get know more about, uh, what was going on. She -- she, um, but I -- I -- I was not discussing the campaign with her. Not -- not ever. I never had any job with her on the campaign. I had

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nothing to discuss with her about the campaign.

BG: Okay. Ah, the concern here is the nineteenth, twentieth, twenty-second, twenty-third, twenty-fifth, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eighth. Those were all the days. That's daily contact. And that's the ten days that she raised a half a million dollars to run ads against Felicia Rotellini. And you guys worked together on the campaign. And you're saying that you didn't talk about that at all?

LH: I didn't talk -- not at all.

BG: Because the -- the most recent call prior to that was almost a month earlier. It was the end of September. So she hadn't talked to you in weeks, and now out of the blue she's calling you during the time she's raising a half a million dollars. And she never once mentioned what she was doing to you?

LH: I was not talking about --

MM: That's just -- I mean, that's just a coincidence?

LH: Yeah. It just be. 'Cause I had no idea that that was the time frame she was bringing in money. I -- I really did not know that. Did not have anything to do with that.

MM: Well, we know you didn't have anything to do with the fund raising.

LH: But I mean I wasn't discussing ads or anything. Um, about fund raising or campaign issues.

BG: Okay.

LH: Do you have emails from when, um...

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BG: Well, we saw a couple emails in the ones that you provided that seemed mortgage related.

LH: And were they overlapping in this time frame?

BG: Um, well, what's ov-- no, the emails that we have go up through the middle of October, all campaign related. And then the -- the mortgage ones, I think there was -- you know what, I think it's in the back of this. [Pause] Uhh, okay, 'cmon guys. Andrew owns the house by himself. Yay. Uh, that was October twenty-ninth.

LH: Okay.

BG: So...

LH: Well I know there was a lot of -- she had a lot of trouble with getting his ex to cooperate. And I don't even know if all of those -- some of those could have been messages maybe. I don't know. I -- so I don't remember having...

BG: But you see how that looks for us? And -- and the issue at hand is was she collaborating, or, ah, um --

MM: Coordinating.

BG: -- coordinating with the campaign. You're working on the campaign and that week there's daily contact with you during the period she's raising the a half a million dollars. Do you see how that looks?

LH: Well, I -- sure. But that's not what it was.

BG: Okay. Did you ever see these? It's been reported that, um, there was a -- a campaign meeting where the verbiage for an ad was discussed.

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LH: No, I have not seen either one of those.

MM: You don't remember attending a meeting at campaign headquarters where you guys read over scripts? [Pause] About TV ads?

LH: I remember, uh, I don't remember -- we d-- there was one discussion on what would be a better route to take. Because Rotellini was being so cut throat. Um, and I think, you know, there was differences of opinions. I don't know if these were the two that discussed. These were for ads?

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

MM: TV ads, yeah. It's been reported that they had a formalized meeting where they passed around scripts and talked about the TV ads and opinions. And, you know, how they should go. And you're correct in that, you know, maybe that they shouldn't be as negative or at least Rotellini was being real negative. And --

LH: Right. I don't remember approving a script or anything.

MM: Well they -- you know, we've -- people have said that you were there at these meetings. So, um, we just wondered if you can remember anything about 'em.

LH: Um, I don't -- I don't remember if these are the scripts that were discussed. Um... I know these are things that we learned about her. Um, and I know, ah, Lauren Buhrow was building scripts on her computer.

BG: Um hm (affirmative). Okay.

MM: Laura Buhrow?

LH: Or ads. Lauren Buhrow.

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MM: Who is she?

LH: Um, she, uh, she works at the Attorney General's Office. She's a private investigator. Formerly a -- a police officer.

MM: M'kay.

BG: Anything else on any of these?

MM: No. I'm good.

BG: You're good? Um, totally separate topic. Uh, you had some damage to the right rear corner of your car?

LH: Yes.

BG: Do you know how that happened?

LH: I don't.

BG: Were -- were you told at all by anybody?

LH: Um...

BG: Do you know when it happened?

LH: [Sigh] Um, it's actually in the shop right now. Um, to ha-- get an estimate.

BG: Okay.

MM: You just find it one day?

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LH: No. Um, Carman borrowed my car. And told me that someone had hit the bumper and she was not -- she was upset. 'Cause she said I didn't want to borr-- ask you for your car 'cause it's a new car. It's just replacing the S U V.

BG: Um hm (affirmative).

LH: So...

MM: Well, someone hit her like, I mean, did she see it happen or...?

LH: It's very mi-- it's minor. It didn't damage the car, it just scraped paint.

MM: Yeah, I know. But did -- did Carman say she saw it happen? Or she came out to the car and she found it there?

LH: No. She said she [pause] saw it when she came to the car.

MM: Okay. I -- I want -- before we get into this I just -- I want to stop you here for a second.

LH: Um hm (affirmative).

MM: Um, we know you have a very close relation with Carman. I know this is tremendously difficult. But, I think you need to focus on looking out for Linnea. Okay. Because, although these people are your friends, when things like this come down, friendships change. M'kay. And I don't know if you're protecting something. I don't know how much you talked about all this with everybody beforehand. But, um, I think you need to be really careful. You want to come down on the right side of this when it happens. Because these people aren't I don't think as much of your friends as you think. M'kay. Now...

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BG: And I think Mister Clark will tell you to just be a hundred percent truthful. If you know something that you're --

MM: You -- you don't want to get yourself behind something. You know -- you're -- you're familiar with why Martha Stewart went to jail? It wasn't securities fraud. It was an interview just like this. Where she lied to FBI agents. Was later found to be lying. And she went to jail for it. So, you know, your car accident, you want to tell her about that?

BG: Yeah. She lied to you. She's not your friend. Um, we were in the parking garage when the accident happened. Tom Horne was driving your car. And he backed into another car and left the scene of the accident.

MM: Which is a misdemeanor.

[Pause]

LH: Okay.

BG: I know that's probably upsetting. But, uh, Tom parked his car in another parking garage. Carman took your car. Went and picked him up. And then went and had a rendezvous at her apartment. And in trying to get into the, ah, the gate where the tenants live, the gate was malfunctioning. So he backed up to try and turn around, crashed into another car. And then they parked in the visitor parking and went up to her apartment.

MM: I -- I physically witnessed it. It was a white car. Do you--

BG: It was a white Range Rover.

LH: 'Kay.

BG: So it -- and that's why we wanna really caution you. I -- we know you're loyal to Carman, you're very friendly with her. But they're not looking out for you. They're looking out for themselves in this. And we are gonna get

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to the bottom of Kathleen's participation. The emails support it, we have a lot of evidence we can't share with you. And, that's why it's important for you to tell us what your knowledge is of Kathleen's participation in that campaign.

MM: We -- we know that -- we know that -- that you may not have, you know, intimate details of what she was doing. But we know you've had numerous -- at least more than one trip to Mexico with Carman. We know that -- we've heard people talk about, hey we need to talk to Linnea first before she goes talk to the FBI. I don't know how much you've talked to them, or how much you've been coached. Or how many times you've sat down with everybody. But we know they're going around and coaching people before they come to talk to us. I know they're all seeking out, they're having people like you come back and tell them everything we've said. We know that, you know, we know it must be difficult. I -- I -- I can't imagine. But I'm sure it's difficult to be in a situation where you're very, very close friends with Carman. Kathleen maybe did some things that she shouldn't have that's put everybody in a bind. So now here we are, trying to solve it.

LH: Um hm (affirmative).

MM: And you're kinda stuck in the middle. You didn't do anything wrong. But you're stuck in the middle where you're really close to the center of this. You have information Linnea about all this. You know you've had conversations with Carman about this. You guys have -- you guys have been close friends. I know she probably shared with you how much she hated Kathleen during the campaign. We've heard that Tom separated two of them because there was so much friction in the campaign. And we just want people that are innocent of any wrongdoing to not get caught up in this in the end. And -- and get some stupid lying to the FBI charge or some stupid conspiracy charge because they d-- they were too afraid or to protect their friends and not protect themselves and their family. You've got a lot of v-- vested interests. You've a son, husband, house. If you didn't do anything wrong, then you need to really take some time to think about where your loyalties are and what's important to you. Because these people aren't -- they're lying to you.

BG: You know, we've heard that Tom is supposed to be, ah, honest to a fault. I've heard that phrase used with him. But he isn't. He's driving someone

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else's car, crashed, and left the scene of an accident. Having some rendezvous with Carman in her apartment. I mean, that's not ethical. That's not honest. That's slimy. So...

LH: Well...

BG: See where we're coming from?

LH: Yeah.

BG: I mean...

LH: The, ah, the -- she borrowed my car at lunch. And, um [pause] what -- what she actually told me was that in -- when backing up the car she hit another car and checked out that car. And there wasn't any damage at all. And I just -- because it was brand new I kinda just said okay, well, if there was no ot-- no damage at all, then I'm just gonna tell basically, you know, um, it was more for my husband. That -- 'cause he would be upset.

MM: Sure he would.

LH: If I --

MM: But that -- that's a lie too. Because I was sitting there, I watched her. They stopped. They sat there for about ten seconds. Nobody got out of the car. Nobody checked the damage on the car. They weren't even at an angle where they could see the damage to the car. And then they drove away. And then we went out and took pictures of the car. And they took off all the way down to the whatever the bumper's made out of. Plastic or fiberglass. They took all the paint all the way down to that. They did a significant amount of damage to that Range Rover. And I don't think anything on a Range Rover costs under twelve hundred dollars. And they didn't leave a note. They didn't make any effort. When we came back a little while later, uh, the Range Rover was gone. I don't know that they're -- I don't think they're a resident th-- there. Just for shopping or whatever.

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LH: Okay.

MM: So...

BG: And Linnea, just to point out the obvious. You just lied to us about what she said. Why -- why would you do that?

LH: I don't know. Stupid.

MM: Do you guys want a minute? Do you want -- you guys want to talk a minute or do you just wanna...? 'Cause I -- this is a significant juncture here. We know you have knowledge of -- of something.

LH: Well I --

MM: And you need to figure out, you know, you need to tell -- because we could -- we could put you in a grand jury.

LH: I don't have knowledge of what camp-- Kathleen was doing. I -- I don't. I don't know about her fund raising. I know, um, the night of the election, the general she, you know, almost -- it was almost like bragging that she raised a bunch of money for Tom. Um, I know at the -- at the primary party she was, you know, busy talking to people that were coming, that were invited. And asking them to donate money. That's all I know about her fund raising. I -- I -- I didn't know her well. If I had known her well -- I knew Carman didn't like how she was pushy and kinda just was gonna -- you know, wasn't doing what she was being asked to be done in the primary. So I had reservations about even working with her, which I expressed to Margaret Dugan. Actually, I expressed it to Carman, who said I think Margaret needs to know that.

MM: Okay.

LH: And she told Margaret.

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MM: Sure.

LH: Dugan. Um, and it -- within ten months I was just saying anywhere else you need me, I'd like to move. I don't want to work with this woman.

MM: That's why you ended up over across the street?

LH: Right.

MM: 'Cause I couldn't find you. It was I don't know where she is.

LH: Oh. Yeah. And, um, I don't feel I was coached. I was told, um, um, I -- I did tell Carman that I was asked to talk to you guys. Um, she was the one that said you should call Greg. Because, you know, the last thing you wanna do is, um, is, I don't -- be subpoenaed.

MM: Sure.

LH: And, um, then of course, I don't know how you guys communicated or didn't communicate. But then you showed up and did. And I'm like great. But, um, the only thing I've heard, ah, from Carman is to just, you know, take a minute to think about it and answer truthfully.

MM: Did you meet with Tom about this? Did you meet with Rick Bistro?

LH: I -- no. No. I hardly know Rick.

MM: Did you guys --

LH: He recognizes me.

MM: I -- I can't imagine, again, I can't imagine that you and Carman haven't talked about this at length. All the things Tom's worried about. All the

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things that, you know, he's concerned about. All the things she's concerned about.

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LH: I -- I let her know we were having this meeting.

MM: Because their whole life's in [UI].

LH: Um, um, and I saw Tom, let's see, la-- a week ago today. And I said that I had given Greg a copy of all the emails that I still had related to Kathleen.

BG: 'Kay. So when you guys were down in, ah, Mexico, you guys didn't talk about this at all?

LH: [Sigh] Um [pause] not -- not in a way -- not -- not in like a coaching way, no.

MM: Well, what'd you guys talk about? I mean...

LH: Well we were --

GC: We're gonna take a break right now.

BG: Okay.

MM: Okay.

LH: Okay.

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MM: It's Merv Mason. It's approximately --

BG: A quarter to ten-- ele-- a quarter to ten.

MM: We're gonna go off break while, ah, Linnea and her attorney take a break.

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